

Knowledge Organiser for Year 2 – Mexico

Tier 3 vocabulary															
<b>Equator</b> – an imaginary circle around the centre of the Earth. It is the hottest part of the Earth.															
<b>Mexico</b> – a country in Central America.															
<b>Country</b> – an area of land where people live. People who live in the country follow the same rules.															
<b>Continent</b> – A group of countries. The seven continents are Europe, Asia, Africa, North America, South America, Australasia and Antarctica.															
Tier 2 vocabulary															
Locate – to find															
Create – to make															
Identify – to pick out															
Key Information															
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Capital city	Mexico City														
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Traditions	The Day of the Dead – 2 <sup>nd</sup> November Carnival – celebrated around Easter														
Weather	As Mexico is close to the equator it is quite hot throughout the year. The temperature in the summer is around 28°C. The winter is very mild. October to May is the dry season, which means there is very little rain.														
Language spoken	Spanish <b>Hola</b> – Hello <b>Cómo estás?</b> – How are you? <b>Por favour</b> – Please <b>Gracias</b> – Thank you														

Knowledge item 1

Mexican flag



The meaning of the colours of the Mexican flag.

Green – hope

White – unity

Red – the blood of the national heroes.

Knowledge item 2

The Aztecs

The Aztecs were a tribe of warriors who settled in Mexico in the 13<sup>th</sup> Century.

Traditional capital city, Tenochtitlán, was built by the Aztecs. This city is now known as Mexico City.

They ruled Mexico for hundreds of years until the Spanish invasion in 1519.

Knowledge item 3

Regional food - Salsa



Map of Mexico

